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Mr. Jim Speta, Mr. Eric Laumann
Viewpoint Lecture Chairs
University Activities Center
University of Michigan
2105 Michigan Union
Ann Arbor, MI 48109

Dear Mr. Speta and Mr. Laumann:

Thank you for your kind and generous invitation to send an Agency representative to your campus to present a lecture or participate in a panel discussion about recent years in Central America. The actions of some students last November in disrupting our Agency's recruitment activities on campus were as reprehensible to us as to yourselves; however, the Agency cannot become involved in public discussion of what essentially are policy directives issued at the highest level of the U.S. Government. Therefore, we would be unable to address the very topics in which your students appear most interested.

We would, however, welcome an opportunity to meet with small groups of faculty members and students in closed sessions of courses (graduate and undergraduate) relating to foreign affairs and/or international security. Here, we would endeavor to provide an overall view of the intelligence function within the U.S. Government, its relationship to policy determination and execution, and the process by which this Agency receives direction and accounts for its activities.

We appreciate your interest and thoughtfulness. Enclosed for your information are two of our brochures, Intelligence: The Acme of Skill and Directorate of Intelligence....Careers That Can Make a Difference.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "George V. Lauder".
George V. Lauder

Director, Public Affairs

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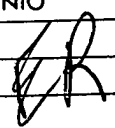
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January 9, 1985

Director of the CIA
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Dear Sirs:

In late November of last year, here at the University of Michigan, some members of the student group PSN (Progressive Student Network) upset the activities of your local recruiting officers. Those involved stated that they were concerned about recent events in Central America and wanted some questions answered. Indeed, operations in El Salvador, Nicaragua, and Honduras have recently been controversial topics of discussion around campus.

As members of UAC (University Activities Center), we share our organization's view that such interruptions of legitimate recruiting procedure were in poor taste, and did little to clarify the issues they were intended to call to question. Therefore, in the interest of answering these questions and dispelling any misconceptions, we would like one of your public relations officers to come and speak in either a panel discussion (the preferred option) or to present a lecture and be available for a question and answer session. We would, of course, cover any necessary expenses.

We have contacted the major campus peace groups and other organizations and have received their assurances that they will not disrupt the proceedings as long as opportunities for both sides are present (i.e. a panel discussion or a question/answer session.)

Thank you for your time and consideration. We look forward to speaking to you in the near future. Please contact us in our office at (313) 763-1107 as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Jim Speta, Eric Laumann
Viewpoint Lecture Chairs

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